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“CLIFF’S NOTES” for STAND-DOWN DAY

SARDA has developed and distributed to each MACOM an “Acquisition Acceleration Day Focus Package” intended to facilitate preparation for Stand-Down Day on 31 May 96. This package contains what has been described as a “Cliff’s Notes” of acquisition reform and should be useful in helping the acquisition workforce contribute in a more meaningful way to the day-long activities that are planned. In a condensed format, it includes major acquisition reform policy documents, as well as reports and fact sheets which summarize key points of related legislation and implementing actions taken by the Army. Ask your boss about getting you a copy.



FSCATT SUCCESS WITH MILESTONE BILLINGS



The Fire Support Combined Arms Tactical Trainer (FSCATT), a Defense Acquisition Pilot Program (DAPP), is expected to significantly reduce contract administration costs through its innovative, commercial-style milestone billing structure. Totally different from conventional DOD contracts, this unique structure provides for specific government controls and disbursement points directly related to contractor performance. There are no progress payments and the contractor is paid by successfully passing performance milestones, which reduces contract financing costs. Additionally, milestone billings provide the government with a focused tracking of disbursements which enables billings to be tracked directly to actual performance of exit criteria.



THAAD TO SAVE OVER 100 MILLION DOLLARS

The Theater High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) system expects to achieve over \$100M in cost savings through implementation of acquisition reform initiatives such as the reduction of contract data requirements, minimizing military specifications and standards and optimizing commercial off the shelf and best business practices.

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